



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Masao TOKITA

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Group Art Unit: 1722

Examiner: T. Nguyen

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY LOADING POWDER  
MATERIAL INTO A MOLD**

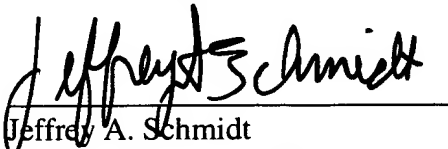
**Comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance as set forth on pages 2-3 of the Notice of Allowability dated August 25, 2004. The Reasons for Allowance merely loosely paraphrase claims 23-41 and, therefore, do not accurately restate the claimed invention.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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